

# *Our Devotion to Mary*

Please join us for  
elegant luncheon and  
an uplifting one-day  
conference  
to learn more about Mary  
and her influence on our  
daily lives.

A Catholic Women's  
Retreat

Saturday, March 9, 2024  
FEATURING

*Melanie Frei*

Past President La Crosse  
Diocesan Council of  
Catholic Women

*Fr. Timothy Welles*

Pastor, St. Joseph,  
Elk Mound

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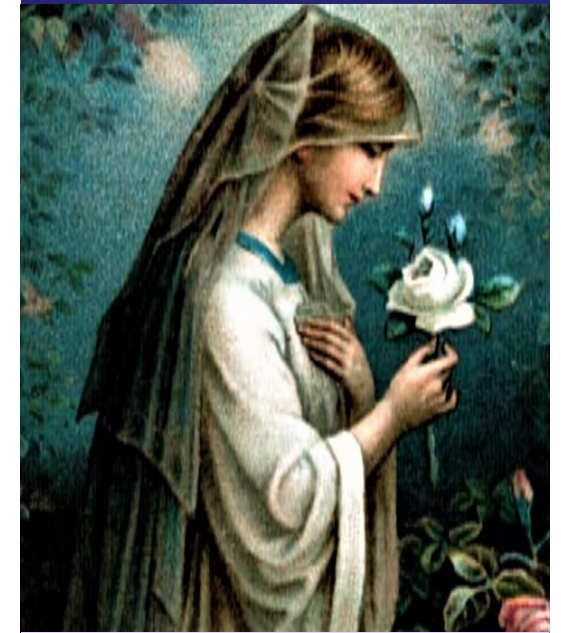
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A CATHOLIC WOMEN'S RETREAT



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**SATURDAY, MARCH 9, 2024**

**8:00 am—4:00 pm**

**St. James the Greater**

**2502 11th St.**

**Eau Claire, WI 54703**

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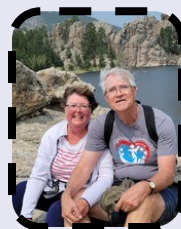
# Call to Holiness

## Lovin' The Church (Parts 1 & 2)

More than twenty years ago, God led Melanie Frei and her husband, Tom, to leave their Evangelical Protestant missionary work in Hong Kong, return to America, and join the Catholic Church. As Melanie grew in her Catholic Faith, she realized more and more that she was sitting on a gold mine!

Today, she invites you to join her as she shares in story, song, and testimony some of the incredible treasures she has discovered in the Church that, as a Protestant, she never knew were available to her.

Melanie Frei, Past President  
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### SCHEDULE

CONFESSIONS	7:30 AM	OPTIONAL
ROSARY	8:10 AM	OPTIONAL
MASS	9:00 AM	OPTIONAL
CHECK-IN/REGISTRATION	8:00-9:30 AM	
"LOVIN' THE CHURCH PT 1"	10:00 AM	
LUNCH	11:30 AM—1:00 PM	
CONFESSION/ADORATION	11:30 AM—1:30 PM	
VENDOR TABLES	11:30 AM—1:30 PM	
"LOVIN' THE CHURCH PT 2"	1:30 PM	
"DEVOTION TO MARY"	3:00 PM	
DAY ENDS	3:30 PM	
MASS	4:30 pm	OPTIONAL

## Devotion to Mary

Fr. Timothy Welles will share a personal experience that he has had in his devotion to Mary.



He will share on what the non-Catholics misinterpret the Bible and why we as Catholics should reject the Bible alone theory as basis for Marian devotion.

Any objection to Mary cannot be an intercessor because she is dead—not true because assumed into heaven. Objection that devotion to her is worship or we make her an idol. Key points that lead to Mary's intercession—devotion to Mary is not a superstition; rosaries, statues, icons are not magic acts but used in sacred worship; all the honor we give her goes to Jesus

Fr. Timothy Welles, Pastor—St. Joseph Parish  
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Elk Mound, WI 54739-0275.

## Registration

CONTACT INFORMATION FOR PERSON MAKING PAYMENT:

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_

STATE/ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIAL MEAL REQUEST:  GLUTEN-FREE  DAIRY-FREE

NAMES OF ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES:

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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Early reservation by February 15:

NUMBER ATTENDING \_\_\_\_\_ X \$25 = \_\_\_\_\_

Regular reservation by February 25:

NUMBER ATTENDING \_\_\_\_\_ X \$35 = \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like to donate money to the "scholarship" fund so women can come who may not have the money.

AMOUNT: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Write check to: *Eau Claire DCCW*

Mail reservation and payment to:

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